NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that sealed bids will be received until **1:50 P.M.** on **Tuesday, August 11, 2015**, by the Clark County Board of County Councilors through the General Services Purchasing Department, 1300 Franklin Street, Suite 650, Vancouver, Washington 98660, for the **Orchards Traffic Signal Optimization, CRP No. 332822**; and other work; then publicly opened and read aloud at the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor of the Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington 98660, at 2:00 P.M. on **Tuesday, August 11, 2015**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

Description of work: Improve traffic signal systems at various locations in the Orchards area of Clark County, between NE 55th Avenue and NE Ward Road, by installing signal hardware, video cameras, count stations, signs and interconnection (using both new and existing conduit and fiber) and upgrading and repairing traffic detection.

Primary bid items: Traffic Signal System; Traffic Signal Fiber Optic Communication System; Traffic Control

AND OTHER RELATED WORK/CONTRACT ITEMS

Plans, specifications, addenda, bid documents, bidders list and plan holder list for this project are available online for inspection during the bidding period through the Builders Exchange of Washington (BXWA) website www.bxwa.com (Posted Projects, Public Works, Clark County and Projects Bidding). These are available for viewing, downloading and printing on your own equipment free of charge. This service is provided free of charge to Prime Bidders, Subcontractors, and Vendors bidding on this project. Bidders are encouraged to "Register as a Bidder" in order to receive automatic email notification of future addenda and to be placed on the Bidders List.

It is the sole responsibility of the Bidder to obtain Addenda, if any. Such information may be obtained from the Builders Exchange of Washington (BXWA) web site, www.bxwa.com (Posted Projects, Public Works, Clark County and Projects Bidding). Clark County accepts no responsibility or liability and will provide no accommodation to bidders who fail to check for addenda and submit inadequate or incomplete responses.

Paper copies of plans, specifications, addenda, bid documents, bidders list and plan holder list for this project are not available.

All questions regarding this project must be submitted on the electronic "CRP Inquiry Submittal Form" located on the County's Internet Page (http://www.clark.wa.gov/general-services/purchasing/crp.html). In the event a bidder cannot access the County's Website, a FAX copy of the form can be obtained from and returned to the County's Construction Management Office (FAX 360-397-6087).

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Answers to bid questions will be posted on the project's "**Bid Inquiry Log**", also located on the County's Internet page, which will be updated twice daily, at noon and 6:00 PM. The questions and answers posted on the Bid Inquiry Log will not identify who asked the question, nor will that information be provided otherwise. It is considered exempt from Freedom of Information requirements. The last Bid Inquiry log update prior to bid opening will be 6:00 PM the day before the bid opening, and will display all questions and answers to the questions that have accumulated by the posting time. Questions asked after this time will not be addressed. Questions too late to be answered as of that posting will remain unanswered and will not be included in the log.

The Clark County Department of Public Works, in accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act 1964, 78 Stat. 252, 42 U.S.C. 2000d to 2000d-4 and Title 49, Code of Federal Regulations, Department of Transportation, subtitle A, Office of the Secretary, Part 21, non-discrimination in federally assisted programs of the Department of Transportation issued pursuant to such Act, hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that in any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement, disadvantaged business enterprises as defined at 49 CFR Part 26 will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, national origin, or sex in consideration for an award.

All bids shall be delivered to the attention of the Clark County Purchasing, P.O. Box 5000, Vancouver, Washington 98666-5000 or 1300 Franklin Street, Suite 650. Bids shall be placed in a sealed envelope, marked "Sealed Bid", which clearly states the name of the bidder, the project number, the project title, the date of the bid opening, and appropriate wording to indicate definitely the nature of the contents. Do not send bids by FAX or email. Bids submitted by FAX or email will not be accepted.

A bid proposal deposit, made in the form of a certified check, cashier's check, or surety bond in an amount equal to five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid proposal, shall accompany all bid proposals. Should the successful bidder fail to enter into such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond within the time stated in the specifications, the bid proposal deposit shall be forfeited to the Clark County Road Fund.

The right is reserved by the Clark County Board of County Councilors to waive informalities in the bidding, accept a proposal of the lowest responsible bidder, reject any or all bids, republish the call for bids, revise or cancel the work, or require the work to be done in another way if the best interest of the Contracting Agency is served.

This Notice to Contractors was signed by Mike Westerman, Purchasing Manager, on June 16th, 2015.

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